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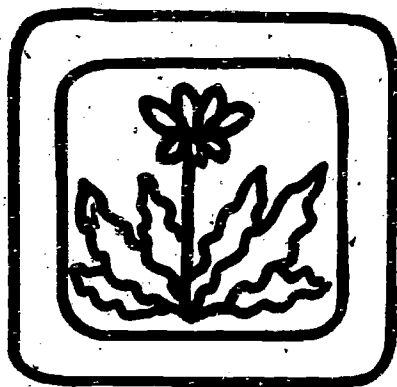
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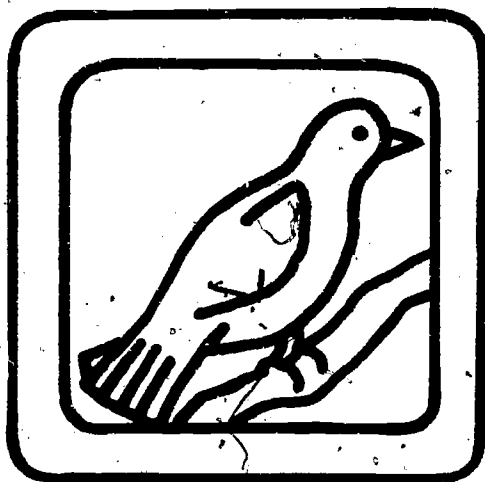
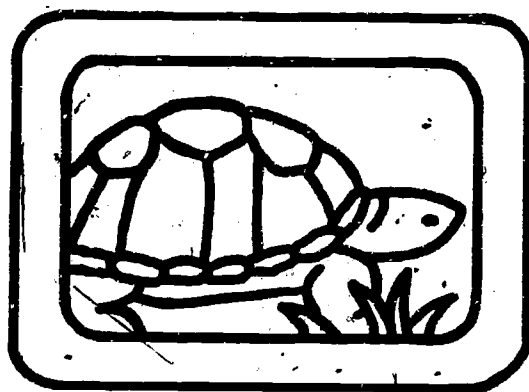
Compiled from survey responses, this publication constitutes the second edition of a guide to established outdoor and environmental education centers in the State of New York. Organized by region (Environmental Conservation Regions of New York State) and by county, approximately 80 entries are presented. Each entry includes: (1) the center's name, address, phone number, supervisor's name, and affiliations; (2) a brief description of the center's facilities; and (3) the kind of educational programs offered. (JC)

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DIRECTORY OF NATURE CENTERS, OUTDOOR STUDY AREAS AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTERS IN NEW YORK STATE



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In response to numerous requests for information, this survey was undertaken to provide a guide for those seeking developed centers for outdoor and environmental education. This second edition is much more comprehensive and contains nearly twice as many listings as the previous catalog.

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Museums, Zoos, and Botanical Gardens, Museums Collaborative
Education Forum, New York 1975

Conservation Circular, Vol. 9, No. 2, Spring, 1971
New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University

Directory of Nature Centers And Related Environmental Education Facilities,
July 1971, Nature Center Planning Division,
National Audubon Society

Environmental Education/Facility Resources, Educational Facilities
Laboratories, 1972 New York

GUIDEBOOKS:

<u>A Nature Center For Your Community</u>	1.00
<u>Planning A Nature Center</u>	2.00
<u>Manual Of Outdoor Conservation Education</u>	2.00
<u>Trail Planning And Layout</u>	3.00
<u>Wildlife Habitat Improvement</u>	2.50
<u>Manual Of Outdoor Interpretation</u>	3.00
<u>Open Land For Urban America</u> (Hard cover)	7.50
(Paperback)	2.50

National Audubon Society
Nature Planning Division
950 Third Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10022

Guidelines For Developing Outdoor Conservation
Education Areas, U.S. Department of Agriculture,
Soil Conservation Service
Room 800, Midtown Plaza
700 East Water Street
Syracuse, N.Y. 13210

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
REGIONS OF NEW YORK STATE

Region #1

Nassau
Suffolk

Region #2

Bronx
Kings
New York
Queens
Richmond

Region #3

Dutchess
Orange
Putnam
Rockland
Sullivan
Ulster
Westchester

Region #4

Albany
Columbia
Delaware
Greene
Montgomery
Otsego
Rensselaer
Schenectady
Schoharie

Region #5

Clinton
Essex
Franklin
Fulton
Hamilton
Saratoga
Warren
Washington

Region #6

Herkimer
Jefferson
Lewis
Oneida
St. Lawrence

Region #7

Broome
Cayuga
Chenango
Cortland
Madison
Oswego
Onondaga
Tompkins
Tioga

Region #8

Chemung
Genesee
Livingston
Monroe
Ontario
Orleans
Schuyler
Seneca
Steuben
Wayne
Yates

Region #9

Allegany
Cattaraugus
Chautauque
Erie
Niagara
Wyoming



NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION REGIONS

The map displays the following counties and regions:

- Counties:** ALBANY, ALLEGANY, ARTHUR, CATTARAUGUS, CATTARAUGUS, CHEMUNG, COLUMBIA, CORTLAND, DELAWARE, FRANKLIN, HAMILTON, HENRIKER, LIVINGSTON, MADISON, MONTGOMERY, ONEIDA, ORANGE, PUTNAM, ROCKLAND, SCHOENIE, SULLIVAN, TIOGA, ULSTER, WARREN, WASHINGTON, WESTCHESTER, YATES.
- Regions:** 1 (Nassau, Suffolk), 2 (Rockland, Westchester, Putnam, Orange), 3 (Ulster, Dutchess, Sullivan), 4 (Albany, Schoenier, Greene, Delaware, Otsego), 5 (Hamilton, Warren, Saratoga, Fulton, Montgomery), 6 (Lewis, Jefferson, Otsego, Oneida), 7 (Cortland, Broome, Chenango, Madison, Otsego), 8 (Livingston, Yates, Seneca, Cayuga, Onondaga), 9 (Niagara, Orleans, Monroe, Wayne, Ontario, Erie, Genesee, Albany), 10 (Albany, Schoenier, Greene, Delaware, Otsego), 11 (Albany, Schoenier, Greene, Delaware, Otsego), 12 (Albany, Schoenier, Greene, Delaware, Otsego).

NASSAU COUNTY

GREAT NECK OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER (Phipps Nature Trail), 341 Lakeville Rd.,
Great Neck, N.Y. 11020 (516) 482-8650 Ext. 425
Affiliation: Great Neck Public Schools
Supervisor: Robert D. Abrams, Coordinator

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 2 miles of interpretive trails, library, laboratory,
nature trails on 14 acres, part of a 140 acre site of fields and
forests.
RECREATIONAL: Camping area, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, 11:30am-4:30pm Mondays, Wednesdays, weekends;
appointment necessary.
Grades K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 12
(also classes of 25). Chaperone to student ratio 1::10
UNGUIDED: In-service courses, workshops, special seasonal programs.

OCEANSIDE MARINE NATURE STUDY AREA, Slice Drive, Oceanside, New York 11572
(516) 766-1580

Affiliation: Town of Hempstead Dept. of Conservation and Waterways
Supervisor: William N. Overton

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with one classroom,
seating capacity 120, 2 miles of interpretive trails,
year-round conference facility, tidal blind and visual aids
along trails.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: April-Oct. 30; Tuesday-Friday, 9am-4pm. Weekends,
May-Oct., 10am-4pm, appointment necessary.
Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group
size 30. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10
UNGUIDED: April-Oct., weekdays, 9am-3pm. Trails marked and interpreted
with trail guides and exhibits available.
In-service courses, workshops and evening programs.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT SANCTUARY INC., P.O. Box 5, Oyster Bay, New York 11771
(516) 922-3200

Affiliation: Audubon Society
Director: Alan H. Ruppert

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, interpretive trails, flush toilets
(year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Wed.-Mon., 9am-5pm, appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group
size 10. Chaperone to student ratio 1::5.
UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm.
In-service courses, workshops, monthly special programs.

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NORTH SHORE SCIENCE MUSEUM, 1526 N. Plandome Rd., Plandome Manor,
New York 11030 (516) 627-9400
Affiliation: Private organization
No full-time director, president of organization: Mrs. John LoPinto

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with 3 classrooms, seating capacity 125, 3/4 miles of interpretive trails, handicapped trail under development and laboratory.
RECREATIONAL: Flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, fall: school days, 10am-2pm, appointment necessary.
Grades: K-6, post high school and adult (Saturdays and school holidays, 12:30pm-3:00pm). Preferred group size: 45. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10.
UNGUIDED:
None.
Workshops, evening programs, and special seasonal programs.

TACKAPAUSHA MUSEUM AND PRESERVE, Seaford, New York 11783

(516) 292-4266

Affiliation: Nassau County Museum

Supervisor: Dr. Robert G. Wolk

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building (theater), seating capacity 96, 8 miles of interpretive trails, library, laboratory, plant and animal collections, museum exhibits.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, picnic area and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm, appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 30. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10
UNGUIDED: Year-round, museum: 10am-5pm, preserve: 9am - sunset daily. Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits available. In-service courses: Workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs and special programs for the handicapped.

SUFFOLK COUNTY

MORTON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, RD 359 Noyac Rd., Sag Harbor, N.Y. 11963
(516) 725-2270

Affiliation: Dept. of Interior, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife
Supervisor: Roger Steelman, John Callegos

Facilities:

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building (classroom) seating capacity 65, 5 1/2 miles of interpretive trails.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, daily 8am-5pm.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 15-20.
Chaperone to student ratio 1:6
UNGUIDED: Trail guide available.

QUOQUE WILDLIFE REFUGE & STUDY CENTER, P.O. Box 492, Quoque, New York 11959
(516) 653-4771

Affiliation: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Director: Carl E. Helms

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 8+ miles of interpretive trails, handicapped trail, library, small pen complex, pond, bog and pine barrens. Conference facility, year-round, capacity 150; flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; 9am-5pm daily; appointment necessary for organizations and schools.

Grades: 7-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size less than 60. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round, 9am-5pm daily, trail guides available.

Evening programs and special seasonal programs.

BAYARD CUTTING ARBORETUM, P.O. Box 66, Oakdale, New York 11769
(516) 581-1002

Affiliation: Long Island State Parks & Recreation Commission
Director: Andrew R. Knauer

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Classroom, seating capacity 40, 5 miles of interpretive trails, bird watcher walk, wildflower walk, rhododendron walk, and arboretum. Flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; Wed.-Sun., 10am-5pm; appointment necessary. Preferred group size 18. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round, 10am-5pm, trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available, and exhibits.

UPLANDS FARM, Box 72, Cold Spring Harbor, New York 11724
(516) 367-3225

Affiliation: The Nature Conservancy - L.I. Chapter
Director: Charles Bassett

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with 2 classrooms, seating capacity 25, 5 miles of interpretive trails, seasonal conference facility, flush toilets, darkroom.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekddays, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available.

Workshops and special seasonal programs.

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OUTDOOR LEARNING LABORATORY AT CONNETQUOT, P.O. Box 186, Kings Park,
New York 11754 (516) 269-4343
Affiliation: Suffolk County Organization for the Promotion of Education
Director: Burton Brody

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, seating capacity 150, library
laboratory, year-round coed conference facility, 150 capacity.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
Preferred group size under 150
UNGUIDED: Year-round; 9am-5pm daily, trail guides available and
exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and
special seasonal programs.

OUTDOOR LEARNING LABORATORY AT SUNKEN MEADOW, P.O. Box 186, Kings Park,
New York 11754 (516) 269-4343
Affiliation: Suffolk County Organization for the Promotion of Education
Director: Burton Brody

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, seating capacity 150, library,
laboratory, year-round coed conference facility, 150 capacity,
flush toilets.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
Preferred group size under 150.
UNGUIDED: Year-round; 9am-5pm daily, trail guides available and
exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs; and special
seasonal programs.

OUTDOOR LEARNING LABORATORY AT NISSEQUOQUE, P.O. Box 186, Kings Park,
New York 11754 (516) 269-4343
Affiliation: Suffolk County Organization for the Promotion of Education
Director: Burton Brody

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, seating capacity 150, library,
laboratory, photo darkroom, year-round coed conference facility,
150 capacity.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
Preferred group size under 150.
UNGUIDED: Year-round; 9am-5pm daily, trail guides available,
and exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, and special
seasonal programs.

BRONX COUNTY

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY, 185th St., and Southern Blvd.,
Bronx, New York 10460 (212) 933-1500
Director: William Conway

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Library, exhibits and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 10am-5pm.

Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult

Preferred group size 30. Chaperone to student ratio 1::15

UNGUIDED: Year-round, daily, 10am-5pm.

Exhibits, special evening programs in summer.

WAVE HILL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, 675 West 252 St.,
Bronx, New York 10471 (212) 549-2055
Affiliation: City of New York
Director: Betty F. Greenfield

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1/4 miles of interpretive trails,
year-round conference facility, library.

Educational Programs **

GUIDED: Spring and fall; 10am-12am, Monday-Friday, appointment
necessary.

Grades: K-6

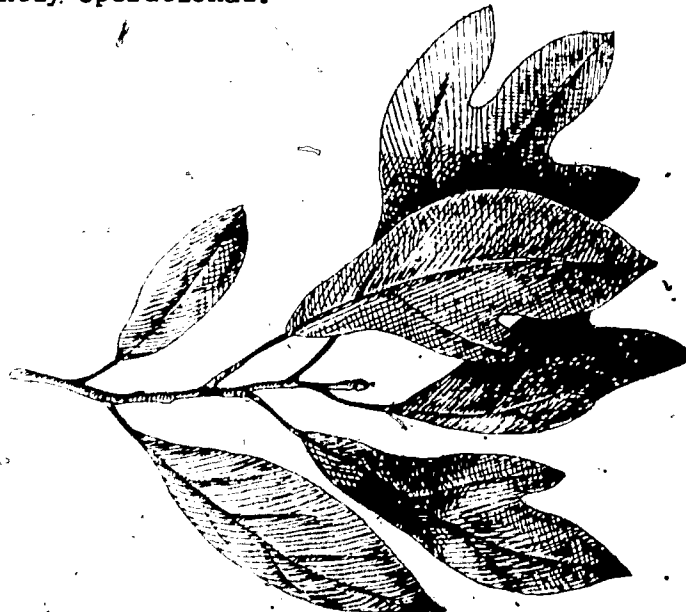
Preferred group size 30.

UNGUIDED: Spring, summer and fall; daily, 9am-5pm.

Workshops, evening programs and special seasonal programs.

* All information pending renovation of facilities; completion
date not known.

** Currently operational.



KINGS COUNTY

BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDEN, 1000 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11225
(212) 622-4433

Affiliation: Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences

Director: Elizabeth Scholtz

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with six classrooms, seating capacity 325, 50 acres of interpretive trails, handicapped trail, year-round conference facility (one day use only), library, laboratory, children's garden.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays and Saturdays, 9am-4:30pm

Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult.

preferred group size less than 30.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::15

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 8am-4:30pm (weekdays), 10am-4:30pm (weekends and holidays).

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits available.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs.

RICHMOND COUNTY

HIGH ROCK PARK CONSERVATION CENTER, 200 Nevada Avenue, Staten Island, New York 10306 (212) 987-6233

Director: Elliot Willensky

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 3 classrooms, seating capacity 110, 1½ miles of interpretive trails, library, year-round conference facility, 40 capacity indoors (year-round) plus 75 capacity outdoors (seasonal) and fragrance and texture garden for the blind.

RECREATIONAL: Store and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring and fall; appointment necessary, call (212) 987-6276 for details and schedule possibilities.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult, preferred group size 30.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; anytime, any day; marked and interpreted trails, trail guides available, and exhibits.

Workshops and special seasonal programs.

STATEN ISLAND ZOO, 614 Broadway, Staten Island, N.Y. 10310
(212) 442-3100

Affiliation: Staten Island Zoological Society

Supervisor: Georg Zappler

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 classrooms, seating capacity 280, conference facility, library, open year-round, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, weekdays 10:20am-12PM; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 25. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round, 10am-4:45pm, Saturday and Sunday exhibits.

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NEW YORK COUNTY

ALEXANDER M. WHITE NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER, American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th St., New York, N.Y. 10024
Affiliation: American Museum of Natural History
Supervisor: Catherine M. Pessino (212) 873-1300

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: A teaching/exhibit area for young people on the ecology of New York City. 2000 sq. ft., 14 exhibit units. Pre-visit and post-visit material available to classes.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Fall, winter and spring; New York City groups during school hours, appointment necessary. Saturday morning visits by appointment.

Grades: K-9

Preferred group size 25. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10.

UNGUIDED: Fall, winter and spring; open to public weekday afternoons and weekends. Closed Monday and holidays.

Workshops for young people in fall and spring on Saturdays.

QUEENS COUNTY

QUEENS BOTANICAL GARDEN, 43-50 Main St., Flushing, N.Y. 11355
(212) 886-3800

Affiliation: Queens Botanical Garden Society Inc.

Supervisor: Ralph L. Snodsmith

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, classroom seating capacity 100, 2 miles of interpretive trails and walks, conference facility, reference library, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, 9am-4pm weekdays; appointment necessary.

Grades K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 30. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round, weekly 9am-dusk.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs.



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DUTCHESS COUNTY

FERNCLIFF FOREST, Mt. Rutsen Road, Rhinebeck, New York 12572
(914) 876-3513

Affiliation: Rotary Club of Rhinebeck, N.Y.
Director: Homer K. Staley

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 5 miles of interpretive trails, observation tower.
RECREATIONAL: Camping area, picnic area and 3 Adirondack lean-tos.

Educational Programs

UNGUIDED: Year-round; trails marked and interpreted.

SHARPE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, Fishkill, N. Y. 12524
(914) 897-4320

Affiliation: The Fresh Air Fund
Director: Bernard E. Ruf

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building (3 classrooms), seating capacity 25-25-40. 5 miles of interpretive trails, conference facility, nature library, planetarium, wildlife refuge with observation bunker. Co-ed dormitory, capacity 220.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, 13 miles of snowshoe trails, camping facilities for 1,000, tent sites, lean-tos, showers, flush toilets; open fall, winter and spring.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Open fall, winter and spring. Daily 9am-5pm; appointment necessary. Grades: K-9. Preferred group size 25, chaperone to student ratio 1::10.

UNGUIDED: Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available, exhibits, visitation hours 9am-5pm daily. Open fall, winter and spring.

In-service courses, evening programs, workshops, special seasonal programs.

VERPLANCK STONY KILL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Fishkill, N.Y. 12524

(914) 831-8780 - Center

(914) 255-5453 - Regional D.E.C. Office

Affiliation: New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation

Director: Contact Regional D.E.C. Office

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 2 miles of interpretive trails (crop and farm demonstration areas), open year-round, manor house can be used for meeting purposes.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Open year-round, appointment necessary, visitation hours vary, due to lack of staff.

GRADES: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 20-25. Preferred chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Open year-round, appointment necessary, visitation hours and days vary. Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available, exhibits.

Special Note: This Center is in the very early stages of staffing and development. It is most important to make an appointment before visiting.

ORANGE COUNTY

ASHOKAN III OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, Huguenot, N.Y. 12746
(914) 856-8322

Affiliation: Ashokan Environmental Education Association and
Greater New York YMCA and YWCA

Director: Andy Parkhouse

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, seating capacity 150, 7 miles of interpretive trails, co-ed dormitory, capacity 80; open fall, winter, spring.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping areas, tent sites, lean-tos, showers, flush toilets, picnic area.

The Center is essentially an Outdoor Education Center operating a program on YMCA/YWCA property. Further information can be obtained by calling Greater New York YWCA/YMCA.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Open fall, winter, spring; appointment necessary.

Visitation hours Monday Noon through Friday Noon.

Grades: 4-9. Preferred group size 60-80.

Preferred chaperone to student ratio 1::20

MUSEUM OF THE HUDSON HIGHLANDS, The Boulevard, Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York 12520 (914) 534-2320

Director: Charles I. Keene

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, library, and collection of live native animals.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails and flush toilets (year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Sat.-Thur., 2pm-5pm, appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 25.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::5.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn-dusk. Trail guides available and exhibits.

Summer workshops and evening programs.

PUTNAM COUNTY

GREEN CHIMNEYS FARM CENTER, Putnam Lake Road, Brewster, New York 10509
(914) 279-2996

Affiliation: Edwin Gould Outdoor Education Centers, Inc.

Director: John A. Gaines

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, library, farm with animal collection and equipment.

RECREATIONAL: Picnic area and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 60. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12

UNGUIDED: Exhibits

HILLSIDE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, RFD #3 Gage Road, Brewster,
New York 10509 (914) 279-9237

Affiliation: Edwin Gould Outdoor Education Center

Director: Richard Taylor

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 meeting rooms, seating capacity 105, 2 1/2 miles of interpretive trails, library, year-round conference facility, coed dormitory, 72 capacity (36/36), cooperative programs with Green Chimneys Farm Center.

RECREATIONAL: Camping area, hiking trails, tent sites, available to groups only, year-round; pit and flush toilets, and showers.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Mon.-Sat., 8am-4pm; appointment necessary
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 45. Chaperone to student ratio 1::15

UNGUIDED: Year-round; 1pm-4:30pm, Sundays, marked and interpreted trails, trail guides available, and exhibits.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and special evening programs.

ROCKLAND COUNTY

ROCKLAND LAKE NATURE CENTER, Palisades Interstate Park Comm.,
Bear Mtn., New York 10911 (914) 268-2503

Affiliation: Palisades Interstate Park Comm.

Director: Philip C. Meisner

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1/2 mile of interpretive trails, reptile exhibits and mammal enclosure during summer season. Parking fee during summer.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12. Preferred group size 10-20.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm.

Trails marked and interpreted, exhibits.

LAKESIDE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, S. Main St., Spring Valley, N.Y. 10977

Affiliation: Edwin Gould Outdoor Education Centers, Inc.

Supervisor: Ed Bieber

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 classrooms, seating capacity 100. 3 1/2 miles interpretive trails, library, laboratory, greenhouse, old cemetery, sugarbush. Fees 1-15 \$3.00, 15-30 \$5.00 or membership by school.

RECREATIONAL: Snowshoe trails, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, weekdays 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 25 or less.

UNGUIDED: Year-round, weekends 9am-5pm, trails marked.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and special seasonal programs.

ULSTER COUNTY

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ASHOKAN I FIELD CAMPUS, Box 216 R.D. 3, Kingston, N.Y. 12401
(914) 657-8333

Affiliation: State University of New York at New Paltz
Director: Andrew Angstrom

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with one classroom, seating capacity 100, interpretive trails under construction, handicapped trail being developed, co-ed dormitory, capacity 80, conference facility (year-round), library, pioneer craft shops.

RECREATIONAL: 5 miles of hiking, cross country and snowshoe trails, flush toilets, showers, picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult (with emphasis on grades 4-6). Preferred group size: 60-80. Chaperone to student ratio 1::8

UNGUIDED: (Under development) trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available, visitation hours by appointment. In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs.

FROST VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Oliveira, New York 12462
(914) 985-2896

Affiliation: YMCA
Director: William J. Devlin

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 8 classrooms, seating capacity 300, 1 mile of interpretive trails, year-round coed conference facility, year-round dormitory, 400 coed capacity.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, X-country skiing, snowshoeing, showers and flush toilets.

Fee: \$38.00, Monday lunch through Friday lunch.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, daily, anytime; appointment necessary.

Grades: 4-9

UNGUIDED: Year-round, marked and interpreted trails, trail guides available.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

SHELDRAKE RIVER TRAILS, Town of Mamaroneck, 740 West Boston Post Rd., Mamaroneck, New York 10543 (914) 698-8300

Affiliation: Town of Mamaroneck
Director: P.T. Leddy

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 6 miles of interpretive trails.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12

Chaperone to student ratio 1::8

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available.

WILDCLIFF NATURAL SCIENCES CENTER, Wildcliff Road, New Rochelle,
New York 10805 (914) 636-2108
Directors: David Kendig & Dee Topoz

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 classrooms, seating capacity 40, year-round, farm animals, science and nature exhibits, weekly trips to local points of interest.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Sat.-Thurs., 1am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Preferred group size 25. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; Sat.-Thurs., 1am-5pm. Exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops and special seasonal programs.

GEDNEY BROOK SANCTUARY, Saw Mill River Audubon Society Inc.,
20 Grandview Lane, Thornwood, New York 10594 (914) 769-7430
Affiliation: Saw Mill River Audubon Society
Director: Katherine S. Anderson

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 2 miles of interpretive trails.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 15. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available, exhibits on bulletin board.

HUDSON RIVER MUSEUM, 511 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, New York 10701
(914) 963-4550

Director: Donald M. Halley, Jr.

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 30, auditorium, planetarium with multi-media facilities, and marina.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Fri., 10am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 30.
Chaperone to student ratio 1:10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun., 1am-5pm

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs and field trips.

MIANUS RIVER GORGE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE, Box 107, Bedford Village,
New York 10506 (203) 322-9148

Affiliation: The Nature Conservancy

Chief Warden: James M. Gibb

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive trails

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, chemical toilets; spring, summer, fall.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; 9:30am-5:30pm daily; appointment necessary. Preferred group size 20

UNGUIDED: Summer; 9:30am-5:30pm daily, fall and spring weekends, 9:30am-5:30pm. Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available.

WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY, Chestnut Ridge Road, Mt. Kisco, New York 10549
(914) 555-8448

Director: Anthony J. Buzzanco

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 125, 9 miles of interpretive trails, library, year-round conference facility.

RECREATIONAL: 9 miles of hiking, X-country skiing and snowshoeing trails, year-round camping area (Scouts only), pit and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Wed.-Sun., 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 25
Chaperone to student ratio 1:5

UNGUIDED: Year-round; dawn to dusk, daily. Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available and exhibits.
Evening programs and special seasonal programs.

TRAILSIDE NATURE MUSEUM, Ward Pound Reservation, Cross River,
New York 10518 (914) 763-3993

Affiliation: Westchester County
Curator: Nicholas Shoumatoff

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 5 miles of interpretive trails, wildflower garden and arboretum.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country and snowshoe trails, picnic areas, pit toilets, lean-to.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Wed.-Sun., 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred class size 25. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; Wed.-Sun., 9am-5pm.
Trails marked and interpreted, exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops and special evening programs.

KITCHAWAN RESEARCH LABORATORY, 712 Kitchawan Road, Ossining,
New York 10562 (914) 941-8886

Affiliation: Brooklyn Botanic Garden
Chairman: Craig Hibben

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 5 miles of interpretive trails, research library, laboratory, demonstration gardens.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; appointment necessary.

Grades: 4-12

Preferred group size 20-30. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10

UNGUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; daily, daylight hours.
Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available.
Workshops and special field days.

MARSHLANDS CONSERVANCY, County Office Building, White Plains,
New York 10601 (914) 835-4466
Affiliation: Westchester County

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 3 miles of interpretive trails, library, seasonal exhibits.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; daily, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 25-30
Chaperone to student ratio: 1::10
UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm.
Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits available.
In-service courses and special seasonal programs.

SACKHOES REGIONAL NATURE CENTER, c/o Peekskill Recreation and
Parks Dept., 840 Main St., Peekskill, New York 10566
(914) 737-0093

Affiliation: Peekskill Recreation and Parks Dept.
Director: David J. Klotzle

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with one classroom, seating capacity 30, 5 miles of interpretive trails, library.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, picnic area and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
Preferred group size 20-30. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10
UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 9am-5pm.
Trail guides and exhibits available.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and special seasonal programs.

TEATOWN LAKE RESERVATION, Spring Valley Road, Ossining, New York 10562
(914) 762-2912

Affiliation: Brooklyn Botanical Garden
Director: Warren Balgooyen

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 miles of interpretive trails, maple sugaring in February and March, and farmyard/barn with animals.
RECREATIONAL: Year-round, scout troops only, 8 miles of hiking, X-country and snowshoeing trails, camping area.
Fee: \$.50 per scout

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Sat., 9am-5pm; Sun., 1am-5pm; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size: less than 20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10
UNGUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Sat., 9am-5pm.
Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides and exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, and special seasonal programs.

WEINBERG NATURE CENTER, 455 Mamaroneck Road, Scarsdale, New York 10583
(914) 723-2784

Affiliation: Village of Scarsdale
Director: Peter J. Woodcock

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 mile of interpretive trails, year-round, library.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Mon.-Thurs., 9am-12pm, 1pm-3pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::5

UNGUIDED: Year-round; 8am-dark, daily. Trails marked and interpreted, exhibits.
In-service courses.

BLUE MOUNTAIN RESERVATION, Welcher Ave., Peekskill, New York 10566
(914) 737-2194

Affiliation: Westchester County
Director: J.O. Vanaman

Facilities

RECREATIONAL: 15 miles of hiking-snowshoe-cross country ski trails, picnic area and trail lodge.

No Educational Programs



REGION FOUR

ALBANY COUNTY

FIVE RIVERS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Game Farm Road, New York 12054
(518) 457-6096

Affiliation: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Director: Robert E. Budliger

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 30, 5 miles of interpretive trails, library and laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Year-round; 3 miles of snowshoeing, X-country skiing, and hiking trails, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk, appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 25.
Chaperone to student ratio 1::10

UNGUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 9am-5pm. Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available, and exhibits.
In-service courses: Workshops, evening programs and special seasonal programs.

COLUMBIA COUNTY

COPAKE FALLS STATE PARK AND NATURE CENTER, Copake Falls, New York 12517

Affiliation: Taconic State Park and Recreation Commission

Director: John R. Middlebrooks (518) 889-4100

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 15 miles of interpretive trails, library, laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country ski and snowshoe trails, camping area (fee), tent and trailer sites (fee), flush toilets, showers and picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer; as scheduled, no appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 15-20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::6

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, daylight hours.

Trail guides available.

Summer - In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs, film programs.

DELAWARE COUNTY

PINE LAKE CAMPUS, Box 461 R.D. #2, Oneonta, New York 13820

(607) 432-4200

Affiliation: Hartwick College

Acting Director: Mark A. Ishkanian

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of interpretive trails, year-round conference facility, year-round coed dormitory, capacity 25 (winter) 40 (summer), laboratory and theater/dance complex.

RECREATIONAL: 4 miles of hiking, X-country, and snowshoeing trails, sauna.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; appointment necessary.

Preferred group size: 25

In-service courses: Workshops and special seasonal programs.

OTSEGO COUNTY

GOLDEN VALLEY OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, Box 525, Sidney, New York 13838

(607) 563-5152

Director: Rosario A. Mirabito

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 3 classrooms, seating capacity 150, 15 miles of interpretive trails, seasonal conference facility, seasonal dormitory facility, flush toilets, showers, capacity 150.

RECREATIONAL: 15 miles of hiking, X-country skiing, and snowshoeing trails, camping area, tent sites, lean-tos, (Spring, summer, fall)

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring and summer; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-6

UNGUIDED: Trails marked and interpreted, trail guides available, and exhibits.

Workshops.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

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RENSSELAER COUNTY JUNIOR MUSEUM, 282 5th Ave., North Troy, New York 12182
(518) 235-6537
Supervisor: Todd Pulliam

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, classroom seating capacity 60, conference facility, museum exhibits, mobile exhibits.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, weekdays 9am-4pm, weekends 1pm-4pm; appointment necessary for groups only. Summer field trip lectures on trees, birds, wildflowers, butterflies and snakes. Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 30. Chaperone to student ratio 1::4 for pre-school & K..

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

THE SCHENECTADY MUSEUM, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady, New York 12308
(518) 372-6534
Affiliation: Private
Director: George Cole

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Library, planetarium, museum exhibits.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Fri., 9:30am-11:30am; appointment necessary.
Grades K-12.

Preferred group size 60 or fewer. Chaperone to student ratio 1::15

UNGUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Sun., 10am-4:30pm (weekdays) 12am-5pm (weekends).
Exhibits.

REGION FIVE

ESSEX COUNTY

ADIRONDACK ECOLOGICAL CENTER, c/o William C. Tierson, Newcomb, New York 12852; (518) 582-4561
Affiliation: State University College of Environmental Science and Forestry
Director: William C. Tierson

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Classroom, seating capacity 35, ½ mile of interpretive trail, year-round conference facility, seasonal dormitory, capacity 15, limited library, and laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trail (spring-fall)

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer and fall; weekdays, 8am-4:30pm, appointment necessary. Grades: 10-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size: up to 20. Chaperone to student ration 1::10.

UNGUIDED: June 1-Oct. 25; daily, dawn-dusk. Trails marked and interpreted. Evening programs, summer lecture series.

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TWIN VALLEYS OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER, Lewis, N.Y. 12501
(518) 564-3142

Affiliation: State University College at Plattsburgh
Supervisor: Dr. Ernest Coons

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, library.

RECREATIONAL: 23 miles of hiking trails, store, camping area, Adirondack shelters, flush toilets, picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round except Dec. 15--March 15; by appointment.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

UNGUIDED: Year-round except Dec. 15--March 15; by appointment.

Available for college field trips, recreational groups, college classes, high school classes.

FULTON COUNTY

BEAVERSPRITE NATURE CENTER, R.D. #1, Dolgeville, New York 13329
(518) 568-7101

Affiliation: F.W. Erdman Trust

Director: Larry C. Watkins

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 125, 2 miles of interpretive trails, library, small laboratory and weather station.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, flush toilets (year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: May-Sept.; daily, 6am-9pm, appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size: 25.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::5.

UNGUIDED: May-Sept.; weekdays, 12noon-5pm.

Workshops, evening programs, and special seasonal programs.

HAMILTON COUNTY

HUNTINGTON CENTER, Cortland College Outdoor Education Center, Raquette Lake, New York 13436 (315) 354-4784

Affiliation: State University of New York at Cortland College

Director: George Fuge

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 4 miles of interpretive trails, year-round conference facility, year-round coed dormitory, flush toilets, showers, capacity 100 (summer), 35 (winter), library and laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, X-country skiing, and lean-tos (year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; appointment necessary.

Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size: minimum of 25.

Chaperone to student ratio 1::7.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and special seasonal programs.

ADIRONDACK MUSEUM, Blue Mountain Lake, N.Y. 12812
(518) 352-7311

Affiliation: Adirondack Historical Association
Supervisor: Craig Gilborn

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 20 interpretive buildings containing indoor and outdoor regional history with exhibits of paintings, photographs, vehicles, boats and artifacts, conference facility, library. Fee: \$3.00 adult, \$.75 children 7--15.

Educational Programs:

UNGUIDED: Exhibits.

SARATOGA COUNTY

SKY RANCH ECOLOGY CENTER, Plank Road, Porter Corners, N.Y. 12859
(518) 893-7102

Affiliation: Private
Supervisor: G. Daniel Evans

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 3 classrooms, seating capacity 12 to 40, 11 miles of interpretive trails, conference facility.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area, X-Country and snowshoe trails, dormitory co-ed capacity 24 to 40, flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, by appointment only.

Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 12 to 40.

UNGUIDED: Year-round, by appointment, trail guides available.
Special seasonal programs.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

REGION SIX

MINNA ANTHONY COMMON NATURE CENTER, R.D. Box W437, Alexandria, New York
13607 (315) 482-2479

Affiliation: Thousand Islands State Park and Recreation Commission.
Director: Robert B. Wakefield

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with 3 classrooms, seating capacity 150, 8 miles of interpretive trails, handicapped trail for the blind, library, laboratory, live animal exhibits, ecology exhibits.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country ski and snowshoe trails, camping (fee), tent and trailer sites (fee), pit and flush toilets, store, shower and picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 8:30am-4:30pm. Appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 12-20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 8:30am-4:30pm.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits available.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal programs.

SOUTHWICK BEACH STATE PARK, 18 Roberts Street, Adams, New York 13605
(315) 846-5338

Affiliation: Thousand Islands State Park And Recreation Commission
Park Superintendent: Francis Garrett

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 5 miles of interpretive trails, waterfowl observation area.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area (fee), tent and trailer sites (fee), showers, store, flush toilets, picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer; weekdays, 8:30am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 12-20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

HIGLEY FLOW NATURE CENTER, R.D. 1, Colton, New York 13625
(315) 265-7255

Affiliation: Thousand Islands State Park and Recreation Commission
Park Superintendent: Doug Reome

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 mile of interpretive trails.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country ski and snowshoe trails, camping area (fee), tent and trailer sites (fee), flush toilets, showers, picnic area, beach.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer; by appointment.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 12-20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12

UNGUIDED: Summer; weekdays, 8am-4:30pm.

Trails marked and interpreted.

Evening programs.

ROBERT MOSES STATE PARK--Long Sault Campground, P.O. Box 548,
Massena, New York 13662 (315) 769-8663

Affiliation: Thousand Island State Park And Recreation Commission.
Park Superintendent: Peter Sainola

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 1 1/2 miles of interpretive trails.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country ski and snowshoe trails, camping area (fee), tent and trailer sites (fee), flush toilets, store, showers and picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer; weekdays, 8:30am-5pm; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 12-20. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12

UNGUIDED: Summer; daily 8am-10pm.

Evening programs.

STAR LAKE CAMPUS, Box 907, Star Lake, N.Y. 13690
(315) 268-3735

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Affiliation: SUNY, State College at Potsdam
Supervisor: W. R. Conolly

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 3 classrooms, seating capacity 130, conference facility, dormitory capacity 130, co-ed, photo-lab, year-round.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, X-country ski trails, ski area and J-Bar, sauna, canoes, kayaks, sailboats, bicycles, rowboats, flush toilets, showers.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round, by appointment only.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
In-service courses, workshops.

REGION SEVEN

BROOME COUNTY

CHENANGO VALLEY STATE PARK, Chenango Forks, New York 13746
(607) 648-5251

Affiliation: Central New York Park & Recreation Commission
Park Superintendent: Harry Woodfield

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 1 mile of interpretive trails..

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area, tent sites, trailer sites, picnic area, flush toilets and showers (spring-fall).

Educational Programs

UNGUIDED: Spring-fall; daily, dawn-dusk. Marked trails and trail guides available.

GREENWOOD PARK, Broome County Dept. of Parks, P.O. Box 1766
Binghamton, New York 13902 (607) 772-2837

Affiliation: Broome County Dept. of Parks and Recreation
Commissioner: John F. Guinan

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with one classroom, seating capacity 10, 2 miles of interpretive trails, library, laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country ski and snowshoe trails, picnic area, flush toilets, store, showers.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily in summer, other by appointment.
Preferred group size 15. Chaperone to student ratio 1::15

UNGUIDED: Summer; daily, 8am-8pm.
Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits available.
Evening programs.

CHENANGO COUNTY

ROGERS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Box 9, Sherburne, New York 13460
(607) 674-2861

Affiliation: New York State Department of Environmental conservation
Director: John W. Kiernan

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 3 classrooms, seating capacity 100,
6 miles of interpretive trails, 1200' handicapped trail, year-round
conference facility, year-round coed dormitory, capacity 60,
showers, flush toilets, library, laboratory.

RECREATIONAL: Snowshoe trails, camping area, undeveloped tent sites,
picnic area, and lean-tos (year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; weekdays, 8:30am-4:40 pm, appointment necessary.
Grades: 4-12, post high school and adult. Chaperone to student
ratio 1::10.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily anytime. Trails marked and interpreted,
trail guides available and exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, and special
seasonal programs.

ONONDAGA COUNTY

BEAVER LAKE NATURE CENTER, 8477 E. Mud Lake Road, Baldwinsville,
New York 13027 (315) 638-2519

Affiliation: Onondaga Nature Centers, Inc.
Director: Mike Storey

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 2 classrooms, seating capacity 250,
5 miles of interpretive trails, year-round conference facility,
library, temporary laboratory, observation area and environmental
action board.

RECREATIONAL: 5 miles of hiking, X-country skiing and snowshoeing
trails, picnic area, store and flush toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Tues.-Sat., 8:30am-5pm, appointment necessary.
Grades K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 30.
Chaperone to student ratio 1::10.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 8:30am-sunset. Trails marked and
interpreted, trail guides available and exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs and special
seasonal programs.

OSWEGO COUNTY

SELKIRK SHORES STATE PARK, P.O. Box #231, Pulaski, New York 13142
(315) 298-5737

Affiliation: N.Y.S. Parks and Recreation
Supervisor: Neil E. Watson

Facilities

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area, X-country ski, snowshoe
trails, tent and trailer sites, store, picnic area, toilets,
showers, open year round.

Educational Programs

UNGUIDED: Trails marked and interpreted, open daily, during daylight
hours, summer only, evening programs during summer.

TOMPKINS COUNTY

ARNOT TEACHING AND RESEARCH FOREST, R.D. #1, Van Etten, New York 14889
(607) 256-2014 -- 589-4885

Affiliation: Department of Natural Resources, Cornell University
Director: James Caslick

Facilities

(Restricted to educational activities sponsored by the University)
EDUCATIONAL: Hiking, X-country skiing, and snowshoeing trails,
picnic area, flush toilets, showers, and swimming pool.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Appointment necessary.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; variable dates and times.

In-service courses, workshops, University classes, evening programs,
and special seasonal programs.

LABORATORY OF ORNITHOLOGY, 159 Sapsucker Woods, Ithaca, New York 14852
(607) 256-5056

Affiliation: Cornell University
Director: Dr. Douglas Lancaster

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 120,
4½ miles of interpretive trails, year-round conference facility,
library, laboratory, periodic art shows, observatory on duck pond,
book store, sound library (world's largest collection of natural
sounds), peregrine falcon breeding program, and correspondence
course in Ornithology.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; Mon.-Thurs., 8am-5pm; Sat.-Sun., 10am-5pm;
appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, anytime. Trails marked and interpreted,
trail guides available, and exhibits.
In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, and special
seasonal programs.



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GENESEE COUNTY

OAK ORCHARD ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Dept. of ENCON, P.O. Box 57,
Avon, New York 14414. (716) 926-2466
Affiliation: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Acting Program Planner: Darwin J. Roosa

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Teaching pavilion, seating capacity 80, 1 1/2 miles
of interpretive trails, educational displays, photo blind.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country and snowshoe trails, flush
toilets, picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Fall, winter, spring; weekdays, 8am-4:30pm, appointment
necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 25. Chaperone to student ratio: 1::8.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn to dusk.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits
available.

MONROE COUNTY

MENDON PONDS VISITOR CENTER, c/o Monroe County Parks Department,
375 Westfall Road, Rochester, New York 14620 (716) 334-3780
Affiliation: Monroe County Parks Department
Director: Donald R. Yeager

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, 1 classroom, seating capacity 45,
1 1/2 miles of interpretive trails, and library.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking and X-country skiing trails, camping area,
picnic area, flush and pit toilets (year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; 9am-4:30pm, appointment necessary.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, dawn-dusk. Trails marked and interpreted,
trail guides available, and exhibits.
Workshops.



SENECA PARK ZOO, 2222 St. Paul Street; Rochester, New York 14621
(716) 266-6845

Affiliation: County of Monroe Department of Parks
Director: Daniel R. Michalowski

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Library and Zoo with approximately 500 living animals of approximately 150 varieties from fish to mammals.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, 10am-5pm, appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size 30.
Chaperone to student ratio 1:12.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, 10am-5pm. Exhibits.

ONTARIO COUNTY

CUMMING NATURE CENTER, 657 East Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14603
(315) 374-6160

Affiliation: Rochester Museum and Science Center
Supervisor: Ralph F. Campbell

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building, classroom seating capacity 25;
1 mile of interpretive trails.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, X-country and snowshoe trails open
year-round.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; by appointment only.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

UNGUIDED: Year-round; by appointment, trails marked and interpreted,
trail guides available, exhibits.

In-service courses, workshops, evening programs, special seasonal
programs and programs for RM & SC members.

WEST HILL NATURE PRESERVE, c/o William Banaszewski, Naples, New York
14512 (315) 374-5467

Affiliation: Nature Conservancy
Director: William Banaszewski

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 2 miles of interpretive trails.

RECREATIONAL: 1 mile of hiking, X-country skiing, and hiking trails
(year-round).

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily. Appointment necessary for large groups.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group
size 12. Chaperone to student ratio 1:15

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, anytime. Trails marked and interpreted,
and exhibits.

Special seasonal programs.

WAYNE COUNTY

MONTEZUMA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, R.D. 1 Box 1411, Seneca Falls,
New York 13148 (315) 568-5987
Affiliation: Dept. of Interior, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Refuge Manager: Sammy J. Waldstein

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 5 miles of interpretive trails.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails and lunch area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: College groups only; appointment necessary.
Preferred group size 30-40. Chaperone to student ratio 1::10
UNGUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; daily dawn to dusk.
Trails marked.

SENECA COUNTY

CRANE NATURE CENTER, R.D. 1, Savannah, New York 13146
(315) 594-8455
Affiliation: Private
Director: Marvin H. Crane

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 3 miles of interpretive trails.
RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area, tent sites, store,
picnic area.

Educational Programs

UNGUIDED: Year-round, always open, trails marked and interpreted.

REGION NINECATTARAGUS COUNTY

ALLEGANY STATE PARK, R.D. 1, Salamanca, N.Y. 14779
(716) 354-2535
Affiliation: N.Y.S. Parks and Recreation
Director: Jim Carr

Facilities

RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, X-country ski trails, 40 miles
of snowshoe trails; summer only, camping area, tent sites,
trailer sites, pit and flush toilets, showers, store, picnic
area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Summer only, seven days, all day; no appointment necessary.

SHALE CREEK NATURE CENTER, Buffalo Museum of Science, Humbolt Park,
Buffalo, New York 14211. (716) 896-5200 Ext. 26 or 27
Affiliation: Buffalo Museum of Science
Director: Dr. Francis J. Bajer.

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 2 1/2 miles of interpretive trails.
RECREATIONAL: Picnic area and pit toilets.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer; weekdays, 9am-5pm, appointment necessary
Grades 4-12, post high school and adult.
Chaperone to student ratio 1:20.
• UNGUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; weekdays, 9am-5pm.
Trail guides available.
Special seasonal programs.

YWCA CAMP BEAVER HOLLOW, 190 Franklin St., Buffalo, N.Y. 14202.
(716) 852-6120
Affiliation: YWCA of Buffalo
Supervisor: Shirley Landsittel

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Lodge, seating capacity 200, conference facility
dormitory, capacity 96 winter, 156 spring and fall, co-ed.
• RECREATIONAL: 2 1/2 miles of hiking trails, X-country ski trails,
snowshoe trails, camping area, tent sites, lean-tos, flush
toilets, showers. Open fall, winter and spring, fees based on
minimum of 40 persons. \$4.00/24 hr. period/person, \$1.00 day-
use/person.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Open fall, winter, spring; appointment necessary.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult. Preferred group size-
varies with program. Chaperone to student ratio 1:10
• UNGUIDED: Special seasonal programs.

NIAGARA COUNTY

NIAGARA COUNTY CONSERVATION EDUCATION CENTER, 4487 Lake Ave.,
Lockport, New York 14109 (716) 434-4949
Affiliation: Niagara County Soil and Water Conservation District
Director: Victor A. Fitchlee

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: 1 classroom, seating capacity 30, 5 miles of interpretive
trails, library, conference facility.
• RECREATIONAL: Hiking trails, camping area, tent sites, pit toilets,
picnic area.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; weekdays, 9am-8pm, appointment necessary
for large groups.
Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.
• UNGUIDED: Spring, summer, fall; daily, 9am-8pm.
Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides available.
Special seasonal programs.

WYOMING COUNTY

BEAVER MEADOW ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER, Welch Rd.,
North Java, New York 14113 (716) 457-3228
Affiliation: Buffalo Audubon Society
Director: David M. Bigelow

Facilities

EDUCATIONAL: Interpretive building with 2 classrooms,
seating capacity 100, 6 1/2 miles of interpretive trails,
handicapped area under development, library, laboratory,
wildlife exhibits, observation tower, observation insectory
and observation deck overlooking Beaver Pond.

RECREATIONAL: Hiking, cross country and snowshoe trails, pit
and flush toilets, store.

Educational Programs

GUIDED: Year-round; daily, all hours; appointment necessary.

Grades: K-12, post high school and adult.

Preferred group size 15-70. Chaperone to student ratio 1::12

UNGUIDED: Year-round; daily, all hours.

Trails marked and interpreted with trail guides and exhibits
available.

In-service courses, evening programs, workshops, special
seasonal programs.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION, NATURE CENTER AND OUTDOOR
STUDY AREA QUESTIONNAIRE
1975

NAME OF CENTER: _____ Phone () _____

AFFILIATION: _____ **County** _____

DIRECTOR: _____ **Home Phone ()** _____

FACILITIES:

- A) ☐ Interpretive Building No. of Classrooms _____ Seating Capacity _____
- B) ☐ Interpretive Trails Total Miles _____ Ave. Length/trail _____ mi.
- C) ☐ Handicapped Trail Brief Description: _____

- D) ☐ Hiking Trails ☐ X Country Ski ☐ Snowshoe _____ mi. total
E) ☐ Camping Area ☐ Tent Sites Fees _____
☐ Trailer Sites _____
☐ Lean-to or other _____

Seasons: ☐ Fall ☒ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer

Toilets: ☐ Pit ☒ Flush

☐ Showers ☐ Store ☐ Picnic Area

- F) ☐ Conference Facility ☐ Seasonal ☐ Year-round
☐ Dormitory ☐ Seasonal ☐ Year-round

Capacity _____ Co-od _____

- G) ☐ Library
H) ☐ Laboratory

- I) ☐ Other Special Features: _____

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:

- J) GUIDED**

Is Appointment necessary? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Visitation Hours _____ Days _____

Seasons: ☐ Fall ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer

Grades: ☐ K-3 ☐ 4-6 ☐ 7-9 ☐ 10-12

☐ Post High School and Adult

Preferred Group Size _____

Preferred Chaperone to Student ratio: ____ :: ____

- K) UN-GUIDED (Self-Guided)

- ☐ Trails Marked and Interpreted
☐ Trail Guides Available ☐ Exhibits
☐ Visitation Hours _____ Days _____ Seasons F S W Summer

- L) ☐ In-Services Courses ☐ Evening Programs
☐ Workshops ☐ Special Seasonal Programs

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 ☐ Trailer Sites _____
 ☐ Lean-to or other _____

Seasons: ☐ Fall ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer

Toilets: ☐ Pit ☐ Flush

☐ Showers ☐ Store ☐ Picnic Area

- F) ☐ Conference Facility ☐ Seasonal ☐ Year-round
 ☐ Dormitory ☐ Seasonal ☐ Year-round

Capacity _____ Co-ed _____

- G) ☐ Library
H) ☐ Laboratory

I) ☐ Other Special Features: _____

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:

J) GUIDED

Is Appointment necessary? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Visitation Hours _____ Days _____

Seasons: ☐ Fall ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer

Grades: ☐ K-3 ☐ 4-6 ☐ 7-9 ☐ 10-12

☒ Post High School and Adult

Preferred Group Size _____

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